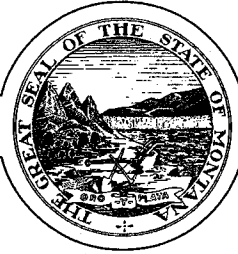


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RE: SB 235: Establish SW Montana Veterans' Home

The 59th Legislature directed the Department of Public Health and Human Services to conduct an analysis of Veterans Long Term Health Care Needs. The Legislature requested that the study include an analysis of the demographics of the Montana veterans' population, including the number and age of veterans in each county and an analysis of the services currently available to meet veterans long term care needs and the need for additional long term care services. The long term care assessment for veterans included an evaluation of the need for nursing home, domiciliary and specialized services such as dementia/Alzheimer care, as well as, various types of community and in-home care options that are available and may be needed. Additionally the existing State veterans' home services and configuration of those services was analyzed.

Please find enclosed a hard copy of this study, which is also available in Adobe Portable Document Format (PDF) online at the division's website at:

<http://www.dphhs.mt.gov/sltc/aboutsltc/reports/VetsStudy.shtml>

Please feel free to contact me at 444-4147 if you have any questions about this study or would like additional hard copies of the study.

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